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March

31/55 Sent a Draft 200. \$200

," Sent five Gold Dolls to Elvira . . 5

" Sent Duplicate 2 Drafts 150, each

April Sent 6 copy of Deed

16th, two Dolls Bielak 2 Bell -- 4.00

May { five and half to Elvira - 5.50

1st, } by A More Gold Dollars - 30.00

{ oneslug one 20. Dollar pie 70.00

Doll Robert & Kate J. Ida - 1

two for Bell

16th To Elvira Gold Dolls - 6.00

June 1st Sent 8.50 to Elvira 850

June 16, 1855 Started for <sup>32900</sup>  
home in Steamer <sup>do</sup> Sierraneva

July 8th arrived in  
NYC Steamer Northern

Light, 10th arrived

at home

amount of Money Sent  
to my Wife from Sam  
an eagle \$2162.00  
amount brought by self ~~5110~~ 948



Capt E L Curry  
Porte Hector  
Schuyler County  
~~Tompkins Co~~  
New York

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Account of Money  
Sent to my wife  
in North Hector  
Schuyler County NY  
At York State

Dec 1st 1853	\$ 130.00
Nov 14, 1854	300.00
Dec 14. 54	100.00
Jan 14 - 54	100.00
Feb 27 - 54	120.00
March 29 .. ..	150.00
April 12. 54 ..	150.00
May 1 <sup>st</sup> Gold Dollars ..	100.00
May 15, .. chain & finger Ring	
by Express Insurance } 37.00	
June 1 <sup>st</sup> Gold Dollars ..	6.00
" 15 <sup>th</sup> a Draft .. 150	
" .. 1 Dollars Eliza	1
" .. Biulah 1	
" .. 9 da .. 50	
July 1 <sup>st</sup> Gold Doll 4 00	

1853

Pikes  
from  
Galena

Gaged Heads

in March	178	178	of Bone	No of Cooks
stoned down on board				
June 7	130	154	1	26
.. 25	115	134	1	37
July 30.	90	108	1	34
Aug 21	100	117	1	46
Sept 22	120	139	1	32
	652	98	175	

Bundles

Bone  
as  
1,776

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July 15.	Sent home Gold \$.	9,00,
Aug 1	Sent home ..	400
15	sent Gold Dolls	2.00
Sept 1.	sent Gold Dolls	6.00
.. 15	Sent gold Dolls	3.00
.. 15	Broast pin to Robert	
Oct 1	Draft \$100	100 00
	5 Dolls Gold own	5.00

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Nov 1st sent 5 gold Dolls 5.00

.. 18 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  Bell 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  Eugene 5.00

" " threeto Elvira 3.00

Dec 1 \$ 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  To Beulah 2.50

.. 1 " one " Elvira 1.00

" 15 To Elvira 5.50

1855 Jan 8 To E. b. Kate, Ida, 8.00

.. 16 To Elvira 7 Bell one . 8.00

Feb. 1. To Elvira 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  Eugene 1 Bobst 1.450

" 16 To Elvira 5.50

- Mar 1. Kate collar Ida Ribbon, 2.50

" To Elvira 2 Dolls 2.00

- March 15. Elvira 6. Eugene 1 Bobst, 8.00

" " wrote to Orvin Wilcox about  
building a house in Hector

" 24 Draft 150 to Eugene 150.00

Baumleek Reed & Drexel 27 wall

24 Draft Elvira D. Noadly \$ 150.00  
turn back

Journal of a Whaling  
Voyage 3d Trip Capt. E. L. Gerry  
from San Francisco in the  
Ship Aquetnet 1852. 8. 3

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Friday Dec 10th 1852  
at Eleven A.M. civil  
account weighed anchor  
and proceeded down the  
Bay with a light breeze  
from West and foggy at  
2 P.M. passed the heads  
and went to sea latter  
part the wind blew fresh  
from W. & W. Steered  
S. SW. No sights  
for the Chrot

Saturday Dec 11<sup>th</sup>  
Strong gales from N W  
and clear early Double  
Reefs Lat obsd. 36.16<sup>°</sup>  
Long fr Chol 23.18<sup>W</sup>

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Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>  
Strong gales from N W  
clear weather coiled  
Whale Lines Lat 34.6  
West. Longitude 121.40

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Monday 13<sup>th</sup>  
Strong gales from N  
W clear weather  
Steering S E by E  
Lat obsd 32..09<sup>°</sup>  
Long by Chol 19..52

Tuesday 14 Dec 1852

fine weather the wind

At 4<sup>W</sup> Lat obs 30° 11'

Long by Chron 118° 18'

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Wednesday 15th

Strong gales from N N  
W strong E S E

Lat by obs 29° 24'

Long by Chron 116° 37'

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Thursday 16th

Light winds from N N  
W the main land and  
two islands in sight

small island bearing S S W

large S S E. 20 miles Dist

Lat 28° 38' Long 115° 07' W

Friday Dec 17. 1852

Pleasant weather wind

NW saw and chased

Blackfish the Ceros Galan  
8 miles Dist Lat obs 28.24

Long by Chot 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  PM 115.12

30, do Leman 115.9

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Saw the Mail Steamer

Saturday Dec 18<sup>th</sup>

Fine weather Wind N

NW Land in sight

saw a Steamer bound

South at night have

too heading NE by E

Lat by obs 27.52

Long by Chot 117.15

Sunday Dec 19. 1852

Fine pleasant weather

Wind N W Land 15 miles

Dist at noon at 12 Mer

a Steamer passed in shore  
of us bound S Lat obs 27.56

Long 3° 8' W per Chro 114.53

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Monday 20th

Light winds and calms  
from N W saw Green  
Whales going fast to  
North lowered two  
Boats saw them no  
more Land 30 miles dist

Lat obs 27.36

Long 4 Ch 115.26

Tuesday Dec. 21. 1852  
Light winds calms &  
fog squalls Land 15 mi  
Dist Lat by obs 27° 35'

Wednesday 22, M.D.  
Fine weather wind  
from West saw nothing  
myself and Carpenter  
made a gangway Board  
Mr Parker making a  
Main Spencer  
Lat. D.R. 26.55  
Land 20 M Dist

Thursday Dec 23<sup>d</sup>  
Light breezes & calm  
gained with the John  
and Edward A B 18 m  
out 400. lbs Cothearst  
Lat by obs 36.27  
Long by Obs 114.14

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Friday Dec 24<sup>th</sup>  
fresh breezes from  
N & NW no Whales  
at sea set course  
board John and Ed  
and took tea got ten  
iron poles some Boat nails  
Land 40 Miles Dist  
Lat obs 36.34  
Long by Obs 114.23

1852

Saturday Dec 25, th  
Light breezes from N<sup>W</sup>  
fine weather the John &  
Edward in sight  
Lat obs 26.18 North

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Sunday Dec 26 th  
Fresh breezes from N<sup>W</sup>  
the Land in sight saw  
a large Steamer in shore  
of us bound S. Lat 26.35

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Monday Dec 27 th  
Fresh winds from N<sup>W</sup>  
heading to S<sup>E</sup> saw  
nothing Lat obs 26.07  
Long 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  P.M. 118°50'

Tuesday Dec 28th / 52  
Came calm at sunrise  
the nearest land bear  
about N N E 25 miles  
Dist middle and latter  
fresh breezes from N N W  
Double Reefed saw a  
sail Lat obse 26.30  
Long by Chron 114.89 W

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Wednesday 29th  
Strong breezes from N N W  
saw nothing Lat 26.21  
Long by Chron 115.16

Thursday 30th  
fine weather was  
Spoken by Massachusetts  
Lt B Capt & Lady came on board  
to tea

Friday Dec 31. 87  
Fresh winds from  
N & NW the Massachusetts  
in sight Lat 26.59  
the Land 10 to 20m dist

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Saturday Jan 1<sup>st</sup>. 1853  
Light baffling winds and  
calms the Land from  
10. to 20 miles dist  
Lat obs 26.52  
after noon steered off  
to S E bound in to  
Margareta Bay to  
repair the Rudder the  
Backing is all loose  
opening a half an inch  
Every Role the ship gives

Sunday Jan 2. 1852

Light airs and calms

the Land in sight 40

Miles Dist Saw the

Steamer Independence

bound North caught

2 sunfish Lat 00 26.04

E. Long by Chron 4 PM 113.47 W

or Long by Lunar .. 113.42 1/4

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Monday January 3<sup>rd</sup>

Commences calms and

foggy at 2 PM cleared

off the Land in sight

30 miles Dist latter part

light breeze from WSW

Lat by D R 25.45 N

Tuesday Jan 4th 1853  
Light winds from N<sup>W</sup>  
Steering S by E saw a  
Steamer bound South  
at dark was off a cape  
3 miles Dist bearing  
S E in Lat 24.48

Ob ayd Long W 112.06, obs  
~~by sun and obs. & shot 112.10~~

Wednesday 5th  
Calm weather part  
Light breezes from N<sup>W</sup>  
struck a sulphur bottom  
and lost a line one  
hour at dark was in  
the mouth of Margarita  
Bay but could not see  
to go in because of the  
over all night saw two

Ships in the Bay  
and two in the offing  
Lat of the Entrance to  
the Bay 24° 35' North

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Thursday Jan 11th  
Light winds from  
N & W fine weather  
Entered the passage  
at noon and stood in  
steering N E by N  
went up 10 or 12  
miles and anchored  
in 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  fathoms water  
4 ships at anchor one  
French ship cutting  
a whale saw plenty of  
whales all day blowing

Friday Jan 8<sup>th</sup> 1853  
Thick fog from 5 untill  
about 9 AM the remain-  
der of the day clear  
Light breezes from  
N & W two Boats  
Employed in wooding  
the Mole & myself  
bolting the Rudder  
Backing on finished  
it and think it safe  
to go to sea got 5  
Boat loads of wood

Saturday Jan 8th  
fine weather Second &  
Third Mates and two Boats  
Wooding got 6 good loads  
the Mate and Cooper  
Repairing the Wheel Blocks  
myself & two men  
went ashore Guineo  
got down nice snipe  
and a mess of Oysters

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Sunday Jan. 9th  
fresh breezes from S W  
two boats went ashore  
on liberty rambling  
about the shores of the  
Bay getting Clams and  
ysters the day ends fine  
Weather

Monday Jan 10th 1853  
Pleasant weather went  
across the Bay to the  
Bark Cherokee and  
Bought Paint and  
Oil for painting the  
Ship & Boats, woolling

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Tuesday Jan 11<sup>th</sup>  
fine weather finished  
Woolling and at 4, P.M  
closed the hatches and  
put a fire below to  
smoke the rats out  
of the Ship got 20  
loads of wool in  
all this night all  
hands sleep on Deck

We this day Jan <sup>12</sup> the 3<sup>rd</sup>  
light airs and calms  
at daylight got the ship  
under weigh and  
went across to the west  
side of the Bay and  
anchored at Dark  
in 12 fathoms water  
3 or 4 miles from the  
shore to be more conve  
nient for Whaling.  
4 men employed in  
painting out side the  
ship saw french Ship  
Orion take her fourth  
Whale the Massachusetts  
NB came in yesterday  
the North Star Boiling  
her second whale

Friday <sup>13</sup>  
Hurstay Jan 14, 1853  
Pleasant Employed in  
Painting ship and getting  
the boats ready for Whaling  
French Ship Creon took  
two Whales; at 8<sup>1/2</sup> AM  
got a sight for the  
Chr and find the  
Longitude of this anchorage  
112° 05' Latly obs 24° 40' N  
the St Head bearing S by E  
true 10 miles Dist

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Saturday 14  
~~Friday~~ fine weather  
Painting ship the North  
Star of N London took  
her third Whale sent  
our boats off Whaling  
No success

Sunday Jan 16. th  
Pleasant Weather wind  
from S E to S SW  
Sent the Boats after Whales  
but saw no Cows with  
Calves did not strike  
Spent the Evening onboard  
the Massachusetts A B

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Monday, 17 th  
Calm with a strong breeze  
from S E Lightning and  
a Shower of Rain  
that lasted about 3 hours  
middle Calm latter  
fresh breeze from S W  
could not whale it  
Capt Bennet and Lady  
on board to Tea

Tuesday Jan 18th / 53  
Pleasant weather  
3 Boats off all day but  
saw no cows & calves  
consequently did not strike  
French ship Creous Boats  
struck 2 Whales and lost  
them had 2 Boats stove  
the cooper and one man  
Painting & mended a Boat

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Wednesday Jan 19th  
at 2 PM struck a Whale  
at 5 killed her off the mouth  
of the Bay 8 miles to Leeward  
of the ~~ship~~ got him to the ship  
at 10<sup>th</sup> night Massachusetts  
Boats helped us tow one  
Boat stove

Thursday Jan, 20th.

Fine weather cut our Whale  
in and commenced boiling  
mended a storm Boat  
did not send the boats  
after Whales to day

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Friday Jan 21<sup>st</sup>   
Good weather struck a  
cow Whale with a Young  
calf and cut her in  
saw a Bark come in  
I mended a Boat

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Saturday 22

Employed in boiling three  
Boats off after Whales no  
success the Oregon took her  
& th Whale saw plenty of Whales

Sunday January 23<sup>rd</sup> 1853  
fine Weather out of Bubble  
3 Boats after Whales struck  
a Bull and Lost him went  
off with 2 Harpoons and 2  
Lances out to sea

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Monday 24<sup>th</sup>  
Sent 3 Boats after Whales  
struck a cow with a  
large calf run very  
bad could not kill her  
ran out of the Bay five  
miles to sea lost her  
and 6 Irons with  
her I think the Boats  
have been 70 miles  
This day hard Luck

Tuesday Jan 25th  
com Calm and foggy  
at 11 O'clock struck a  
Whale after chasing 4 hours  
killed her ten miles from  
the ship she sunk in  
20 fathoms water left  
a boat fast to her and  
anchored her the men  
all came onboard in two  
Boats got the ship under  
weigh and ran down  
nearer the Whale and  
anchored at nine o'clock  
in the Evening in 8 fathoms  
water the french ship  
had 3 Boats stove by one  
Whale two men hurt  
one saved the Whale

Wednesday Jan 26th  
Towed our Whale to the  
Ship and cut it in  
and began boiling  
the Massachusetts  
went to sea

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Thursday 27th   
Pleasant Weather Employed  
in boiling and Whaling got  
a Whale Took him alongside  
and lie by him all night  
those Whales will give from  
30 to 40 bbl of oil each

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Friday 28th  
Sent 2 Boats after Whales no  
success came on board and  
cut in our Whale

Saturday Jan 29<sup>th</sup> /53  
at 5<sup>th</sup> am called all hands  
and got Breakfast at   
daylight sent 3 Boats off  
up the Bay struck a  
Whale and killed her took  
her alongside at 5 PM  
and lie by her all night  
~~the~~ <sup>third</sup> mate got his Boat  
stove nobody hurt

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Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>  
calm and hot sent 3  
Boats after Whales in the  
morning no success after  
noon cut our Whale in  
and began boiling saw  
Plenty of Green Turtle

Monday Jan 31st. / 53  
Fine Pleasant Weather  
Sent 3 Boats up the bay  
after Whales didn't see  
any finished boiling at  
sunset 35 Barrels of oil  
from this whale

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Tuesday Feb. 1st / 53  
Thick fog untill noon  
at Daylight 3 Boats Starts  
off up the Bay after Whales  
at 5 PM returned saw  
none, I have got a  
Carpenter from French  
ship Areon onboard  
today mending a Boat  
I shall soon leave these  
Diggins No Whales here

Wednesday Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Sent one Boat ashore on  
the East side of the Bay  
after iron poles got 60  
poor ones sent one Boat  
West side of the Bay  
and got 11 Barrels Sand

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> or Feb  
Stowed down our oil  
about 175 bbls finished  
painting out side the ship  
got a Cask of Bread  
from Ship Oregon, went  
a fishing with the French  
mans seine caught  
5 or 6 bbls of Mullet and  
Blue fish for salting  
down

Friday Feb 4th 153  
fine weather stowed  
and got the ship ready  
for sea in the morning  
went onboard French  
ship Orion and Paid for  
the Bread after noon  
myself & third Mate  
Mr Dolphine went ashore  
on Margareta Island  
prepared to stop all  
night for the purpose  
of making some discovery  
found it a barren place  
slept all night on the  
Beach saw no animals  
and but few Birds.

Large Steamer ~~to~~ Latte  
Saw  
Saturday 5th Feb  
At daylight the Mate  
got the ship under weigh  
and stood down the Bay  
with light airs and calms  
at one o'clock P.M I got  
onboard the ship off  
the entrance of the Bay  
and stood out to sea

Sunday Feb 6th  
light airs and calms  
the entrance of the Bay  
25. Miles Dist bearing NNE  
saw a small Schooner  
steering to S E the weather  
is very warm

Monday Feb 7th 1553

Light breezes from N & NW  
saw finbacks and  
Porpoises Lat obs. 23.52 Long 112.50 DR

Tuesday 8th

Light winds and calms  
Land 20 to 30 miles  
Dist employed in rattling  
down got a Black fish  
Lat by obs 21.31

steered for the Landmark Islands

Wednesday 9th

Light variable winds  
and calms from N & E to  
W & W broke out the  
bold and searched for  
water found 40 bbls  
some of it brackish Lat 24.30

Thursday Feb 10  
Light winds from North  
steering SW by W took three  
Black fish Lat obs 23.5°  
Long by Chron West 114° 6'

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Friday Feb 11th  
Pleasant weather wind N  
N W set a fore Top Mast  
Studen Sail the first this  
voyage saw a sail Lat 23.2°  
Long by Chron W. 115.18

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Saturday 12th  
Good N E trades steering  
SW by W boiled out our  
Black fish oil had 5, bbls  
Lat by obs 22.22  
Long P M West 117° 24'

Sunday Feb 13, 1853

Pleasant trades from  
NNE steering WSW

saw a ship steering SE  
Lat 21.27 Lon 3 PM 120.5

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Monday Feb 14th

fine N E trades steering  
WSW by compass

Lat by obs 20.47

Long by shot 8M 122.41

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Tuesday

Feb 15th

fine trades from E to NE  
steering W by S $\frac{1}{2}$  E south in the  
Evening found a flying fish  
in the cabin he had flown  
in the Window Lat obs 20.25

Long by shot W 124.12

Wednesday Feb 16 /53  
Pleasant trades at 4 E at  
daylight saw a french ship  
four months from Bora Bora  
bound to San Francisco  
put a letter onboard to my  
Wife & one to C H Todd  
San Francisco agent of ship  
Aquitaine Lat obs 20.20  
Long by Chat 127° 02'

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Thursday Feb 17th  
Fine trades crew employed  
in taming down the Regime  
Lat by obs 20.10  
Long by Chat 129.35 W

Friday Feb 18th /53  
fresh trades employed  
in fitting cutting Pencants  
and Block shapes  
Lat by obs 19.59  
Long by Chrot 132.35

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Saturday 19th  
fine weather Wind N  
E to S Lat 20.25  
Long 134.54

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Sunday Feb 20th  
Light winds from E by  
South Siling West  
Lat obs 20.28  
Long Chrot 137.00

Monday Feb 21, st/53

Light Baffling winds from  
E to S E Lat obs 20.35

this day Long by Chron 138.44 W  
wrote a letter to my Brother George

Tuesday 22. m

Light winds from E S E  
to E N E Lat obs 20.30

Long by Chron 140.32

this day set my watch with Chron

Wednesday Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Fresh trades veering from  
E N E to E S E a small spike  
of rain steering W by S

Lat obs 20.23

Long by Chron 142.51

Thursday Feb 24 / 53  
Strong trades from E  
& E Steering Why I  
blew away an old  
Jew Job M Studen Sail  
Lat 20.24 Long Ch 146.21

Friday Friday. 25  
fine breezes from East  
Lat obs 20.24  
Long pr Chro. 149.26

Saturday 26th  
Light winds from E  
by 8 crew Employed in  
Washing the Ship  
Lat obs 20.07  
Long pr Chro 151.18

Monday Feb 27th / 53  
Light winds from E by S  
steering WSW Lat 19.42  
Long by Chron 153.8.30

Monday 28th  
Light winds from S E by E  
with some rain squalls  
Made the East Point of Hawa  
bearing West 15 Miles Dist  
Foggy clouds over the Land  
I took the Chat a little  
out the ship being about  
15 miles to the East—  
word of the Reckoning  
by Chron. She is this day  
about 1.8.10 slow save  
2 ships running for the Goldward

Tuesday March 1. 83  
This day is calm and  
very hot crew employed  
in hoisting stone  
Ballast out of the fore  
hold and throwing it over  
board Onyhee bearing  
N W 16 miles dist the  
smoke from the Volcano  
ascending up in fine stile  
and the snow topped  
mountains in full view  
presenting a most beautiful  
sight How wonderful  
are the works of  
nature Lat 18° 57'  
Long by Pubt 155.28  
I have passed on the South  
side of the Island for sum with

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March  
Fresh breezes from S E  
Bear down off the West  
side of the Island sent  
a Boat ashore at Karakka  
on bay the boat returned  
a little before sun set  
with two lbs sweet  
Potatoes a goat & fowl  
and a few Coconuts  
I find the shot about  
28 miles to far West  
now hearing over stone  
Ballast four ships  
in sight lying off  
and over the Island  
at night the wind  
shifted to N W and  
joined

Thursday March 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Strong Winds from SSW  
at 4 P.M. calm at 6  
took a light breeze from  
S SW put away for  
Houlelee finished throwing  
stone ballast out and  
took in salt water  
Karakoa Bay being S E  
ten to 15 miles dist

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Friday 4<sup>th</sup>  
This day was calm  
at 11 P.M. took a breeze  
from SW started SW  
by N Moses Gernold  
and Manuel Sanders  
got a fighting on deck and  
drew knives on each

other I sent the aloft  
one at the fore and the  
other at the Mizen mast  
head kept them there from  
8 AM till noon called  
them down they had not  
been down long before  
Moses attacked him  
again and beat him  
in a shocking manner

I put Moses in irons and  
shut him up in the cabin  
where I shall keep him  
until we arrive at  
Honolulu Sat 19.09  
Hawaii being at 8  
20 Miles East

Saturday March 5th  
Equally bad weather staying  
for Honolulu Double keep  
made Bami bearing North

Sunday March 6th  
At daylight made dinner  
and Head at 10 AM  
anchored off Honolulu  
in 12 fathoms Water  
and went on shore

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Wednesday April 6th  
the Pilot took the ship  
out at 8 AM at 3 $\frac{1}{2}$  PM  
went onboard myself  
and started for the Arctic  
Ocean with 36 men  
Mr Parker 1st mate of Duty

on board after having  
lain here 30 days fitting  
for the north got letters from  
home in the time and shipped  
198 bbl oil to San Francisco  
and drew Bill for \$900,000  
and wrote letter to my  
furnish the Black Eagle  
of Sag Harbor left here  
2 hours ahead of me

April 7th 153

Strong trades stirring to the  
westward at noon passed  
Onehow Lat obsd 21.36  
Long by Chart at 3 PM  
160° 41' West the westward  
of the Group at the time being  
27.5 miles Dist

Friday April 8th 1853  
Fresh trades some Rain  
fitting the Boats cut out  
a new Fore Top Mast Stullen  
Sail & set 11 men at work  
on it Lat by ob 21° 38' N  
Long West by Chro 162° 54'

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Saturday April 9th  
Strong trades from East  
unbent an old F Sail &  
bent one nearly new began  
mending the old one after  
noon much Rain Lat 22° 7'  
Long D R West 165.40

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Sunday April 10th  
Strong & Extra strong West  
Lat obd 22.21 Long 168.42  
saw had 5 Pigs last night

Monday April 11th

Strong trades from E & E

Steering W by N Lat 23.55  
Long by Chat West 171.39

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Tuesday 12th

Strong trades steering W by N  
without main sail & M & I  
to Repair but others saw  
Ship Roman & Bedford  
my Mate & Third Mate  
off duty sick Lat obs 23.31

Long by Chat W 174.44

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Wednesday April 13th

Strong trades from E watch many  
sails spread the Potatoes to day

Lat obs 24.18

Long 3 PM 177.54 West

Thursday April 14 1853  
Fresh trades from E N E  
Steering W by Comp ass mending  
Sails Lat obs 25° 34' N  
Long by Chro. 181.14 West  
Do " Lunar 181.18 West  
30 Sun West

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Friday April 15th  
Good weather wind from  
N E Watch Employed in mending  
Sails Lat obs 25.20 N  
Long by Lunar 183.11 W  
Do 4. Chro 183.14 West

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Saturday April 16th  
Light winds from E and  
pleasant bent a P Cap I  
Lat obs 27.53 Lon 185.30 W  
Painted two Boats

Sunday April 17th 1853  
Light winds from E & pleasant  
Steering SSW Lat obs 29.41  
Long by Chart 186.47W

Monday 18th  
Fine weather wind ESE mending  
sails Lat obs 31.27N Long West 188.0°

Tuesday April 19th 1853  
Light winds from South fine  
weather mending Sails & painting  
Boats Lat 32.51 Long 189.41W

Wednesday April 20th  
winds from NW to North  
NE & fog Lat obs 34.32  
Long by Chart West 190.45

Thursday April 21 1853  
Commences with fresh  
wind from S and ends with  
a gale from SW with heavy  
squalls. Log & Rain took into  
a close reefed M top sail  
Lat DR 36° 35' Lon 20° 19' 32" W

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Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Calm with a heavy gale  
of wind from WSW  
at midnight shifted to N  
and moderated Lat DR 36° 56'  
Long 4 DR 192° 15' W

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Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Calm and pleasant  
Employed in mending sail's  
and securing the Boats over  
head Lat 37° 11' Long 192° 19' W  
Mate & fourth mate off Duty sick

Sunday April 24th 1853  
Com with a rainy Easter  
and ends with a gale from  
N W Lat DR 38.20 N  
Long DR West 193° or

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Monday 25th  
a gale from N W lie too  
Lat. obs N 37.20

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Tuesday April 26th <sup>(s)oke Ship</sup>  
calm with a heavy swell from  
N W saw a sail Lat obs 36.31  
Long by Chro 194.5-4.7

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Wednesday 27th Strong wind  
from SSW Steering N W  
Lat obs 37.54 N  
Long by Chro 196° 20' W  
or 163° 40' East from Greenwich

Friday April 29th 1853  
Strong gales from S W to S W  
with fog & rain Lat DR 40.00  
& Long by Chro PM 162.15  
this day I change my reck  
oning from West to E Longitude

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Saturday April 30th  
Strong gales from S W Double  
refr'd cold Lat obs 41° 39'  
Long by Chro 162.58.8

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Sunday May 1st  
a gale from S E thick &  
rain No obs

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Monday 2nd May  
a heavy gale from S W  
no obs hail & rain

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Tuesday 3 a gale from W S  
W snow squalls Lat poor obs  
45.12 N Long by Chro 162.42  
East

Wednesday May 4th 1853

Light winds from WNW saw  
finbacks Lat obsd 46.5 N

Long by Chot 3 P.M 163.19.8

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Thursday 5th

Com with light winds from  
NW Ends with strong gales  
Harrow squalls Lat 46.00

Long by Chot. 163.18

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Friday 6th

Commences with strong gales from  
NW & Ends with light breeze from  
West Woods DR Lat 47.10

Long DR W 163.10

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Saturday May 7th

Strong breezes from W Steady  
N N W Lat obsd 49.36

Long by Chot 163.00 E

Sunday May 8th /53  
A heavy Gale of wind and  
thick Snow storm coming  
at N E & shifting to N W  
took in the Main Top Sail  
the waist Boat badly stove  
on the cranes after  
Davit broke Down

Stds Lat P.R 50.20 Long 162.30

Monday 9th  
Kept bad weather lie too  
Repairing Davits and Boats  
Wind N W & NW snow squalls  
Lat obs 50.10 Long E 162.40

Tuesday May 10th  
Light winds from W with a heavy  
swell from N E. snow squalls  
unbent the M. Gail to repair  
Lat. obs 51.26. Lon Choh 163.4

Wednesday May 11th 1853

Calms & snow squalls from  
N.W Employed in mending  
a Boat and MD sail the snow  
melts on Deck & at 00 52.3  
Long by Chron 163.12

Thursday May 12th

Good Weather wind light  
from N.W Speaks Ship  
Unreas netting this season  
Lat 52.21. Long Chron 162.50

Friday 13th

Light winds & calms snow  
squalls from N.W to N.E  
two ships in sight one boiling  
a Right Whale Lat 00 53.10  
Long by Chron 163.15 E

Saturday May 11th 1853  
fine weather wind N.W  
saw two ships 12 Whales  
Lowered 3 times could not  
strike Mount Kronotski  
bearing N.W 90 miles Dist  
Lat 53.31 Long Chro 162.19

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Sunday May 15th  
Calm with fog Banks  
saw 2 ships no Whales Lat 53.61  
Long by Lunar 161.53 Do, C. 162.31  
**{** Sun West **{** Chro 2.32 slow **}**

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Monday 16th  
Fresh winds from E N E to  
I saw 2 Whales right did  
not lower the lines and  
another ship in sight the  
land 25 miles Dist Lat 54.10  
Long by Chro 162.11 East

Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup>

Light winds from N N W cloudy

Some snow a smooth sea

Lat obs 54° 3' Long a/c 163.40

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Wednesday 18

Light winds cold cloudy  
weather wind N W made

Beechings Island heavy N E  
Stood in within 5 miles of the  
shore shaken ship Splendid  
Edgarton one Bowhead this  
season got him in 51 Lat  
Lat obs 54.53 Lon Obs 166.3

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Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>

Com with light airs from  
N E snow melting as soon  
as it strikes the deck  
Lat obs 55.21 Beechings  
Island in zig Zags E.

Friday May 20th 1853

Light airs and calms from E. &  
thick snow all the morning

at noon cleared off saw a  
Sperm & a Right Whale at 7 P.M. east  
Right Whale could not strike

Lat abd 55° 58'. Lon P.M., 6, 16.5°

Saturday 21st

Calm and pleasant day  
2 Right Whales chased no  
success was spoken by Ship  
James A B Cornell noting this  
Season Lat 56° 08' Land 25 miles  
East all covered with snow

Sunday May 22nd

Strong winds from S S E thick  
snow storm blew North  
under all sail until 3 P.M.  
and hove to hailing E saw  
through ice last night 2 or 3  
miles from large icebergs

Monday May 23rd 153

Strong winds from N W cold  
Saw finbacks Land bearing N W  
40 miles Dist Lat obs 57.23

Tuesday 24th Strong gales  
from N W at 12 o'clock last  
night fell in with a large  
body of pack ice at daylight  
the Land was in sight 40 miles  
Dist bearing W N W to N W  
the ice extending E N E farther  
than we could see from the  
most head Lat obs 58.53  
Long by Chart 165.10 saw ships  
Spoke Bark Cavalier Glomington  
one R Whale had seen 63 ft, 8

Wednesday 25th fine weather  
Passed through a field of ice  
2 miles wide the length unknown

saw 2 Bowheads in the ice  
saw 9 ships two of them  
cutting Whales Lat 58.26  
Long per Chart 166.50 East

Thursday May 26th  
Com cabin Embayed  
in ice saw 3 Whales could  
not strike all in the ice,  
saw 11 ships  
boiling Spoke Bark  
Martha A B., Jooker 3  
Whales Lat obs 58.27  
Long by Chart 167.5 E

Friday 27th Raged  
Wind N E latter part  
thick snow storm a large  
body of ice to Leeward saw 3  
Whs 2 ship cutting Lat obs 58.58  
Long per Chart 166.32

Saturday May 28th  
Wind N & thick cloudy saw plenty  
of detached floating ice at 7  
PM saw & struck a Whale sounded  
out & shot of line went to the  
bottom the iron shank broke  
lost him Lat  $59^{\circ} 5$  and bearing  
N W to N, hard luck

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Sunday May 29th  
fine weather saw one Whale going  
quick to E, & lowered for him  
saw 11 Ships one hailing Land  
bearing N & W 30 miles East  
Lat  $59^{\circ} 05$  Lon  $61^{\circ} 55^{\circ} 50$

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Monday 30th  
Calm and ends with a  
strong breeze from N E saw no  
Whales Lat obsd  $59^{\circ} 14$   
Long for Chdt 116.20

Tuesday June 31. 1853

Strong gales from N & thick and  
stormy saw a Bank Lat 58.17

Long for a/cp 168.00

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Wednesday June 1 1853

Light winds from N & W the  
Land in sight 15 miles dist  
saw one Bow head Lat 59.10

Long by Chrt 168.10 E

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Thursday 2 June Y.

Com calm latter part light  
breeze from SW ab 4 PM saw  
two Whales got one and cut it  
partly in Land in sight Lat 59.18  
Long by Chrt 168.25 E.

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Friday 3 Calm finished  
cutting our Whale and began  
to boil Lat abt 59.20 Long 168.10  
saw a Bank boiling called her  
the Black Eagle Harbor

Saturday June 4th  
Com, calm & ends with light  
airs from S, S.E about one  
o'clock AM the try works  
took fire by carelessness  
of the men tending called  
all hands put the гарпau  
line over to another it burnt  
it up then unbent the Main  
Sail we t' it and got it  
over with much difficulty  
the flames being so hot cou  
d not go near it cut by tacks  
aloft got it over and three  
on water all the while and  
finally extinguished it cut  
the main stay to prevent the  
fire from going aloft the  
Sund 45 miles Dist 3 Ships in  
sight Lat 59.40 Lon 168.46

Tuesday June 5th / 53  
Light breezes from all points of  
the compass calms & fog squalls  
Saw a Large field of ice  
extending from the shore off  
to W.D. Spoke Bark Martha  
A B Tooker 5 Whs this season  
Lat 59.58 Long 169.35 E

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Monday June 6th  
Light airs and calms from E  
foggy sent three boats in the  
ice to look for Whales saw none  
took a Walrus Lat 60.11  
Land in sight 25 miles Dist

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Tuesday 7 June  
Light baffling winds & calms  
beset with ice to the S & E  
joined on to the cape of Lind  
Lat 59.58  
saw 3 ships Long by Chart 170.09 E

Wednesday 8th June 153  
Light breezes from S W fine  
weather no Whales the Land in  
sight saw 4 ships all steaming  
N E Lat obs 59.42 Lon 172.8

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Thursday 9th  
Light winds from S W thick  
cloudy weather saw a ship &  
bark the Bark boiling steaming to  
the N E no Whales Lat by poor  
obs 60.47 Long by aep 174.30 E

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Friday 10th Calm & a heavy  
old swell from E S E at 9 PM  
saw a Whale struck him with  
one iron drew and lost him  
Lat aep 60.33 Long Eho 176.10

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calm saw 2 Whs couldn't strike  
them ships in sight 3 boiling ships  
Bark Martha Tooker 5 Whales  
Lat obs 60.55 Long 175.29 E

Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup>  
Light airs from N W thick  
fog saw 2 ships no Whales  
Lat by poor obs 61.20 Lon a/c 176.

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Monday 13<sup>th</sup>

First part is calm ends with  
light breeze from N W the  
Land in sight but can't appr  
back nearer than 20. or 30 miles  
on account of ice saw 24 ship  
two boiling no Whales seen this  
day Spoke St P Salmagge 4 Whales  
Tuscany I G Harvey 3 Whales  
Lat obs 61.50 Long 176.15

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Calm 31 ships in sight

June 14<sup>th</sup> Cape Stavarin 30 miles Dist  
bearing N NE the ice extending 30  
miles of shore run in the ice  
one ship boiling of the whole  
6 miles and saw no Whales fleet

Wednesday June 15th  
Light breezes from SSW saw one  
Whale only struck and killed  
him in the ice sunk and  
lost him lost 350 fathoms of  
line four irons & three drags  
39 ships in sight one of them  
boiling spoke I Liverpool  
A B Swift clean cape  
Navarin bearing S by E 28 miles

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Thursday 16th

Dark times 40 ships in sight  
and not one Whale Cape Navarin  
bearing N NW 30 miles Dist plenty  
of ice all along the land

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Friday 17th Calm plenty of  
ships & ice but no Whales spoke  
Ship Monongahela 3 Whales lost 151  
Long per a/c 179.30 East

Saturday June 18th 153  
Calm thick fog Ends rainy  
Saw 6 ships close to the Ice  
no Whales No obs Lat acc 61.45

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Sunday June 19th  
Light Southerly winds & rain  
Steering to the East along the  
ice saw no Whales 6 Ships  
No obs

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Monday 20th ~~W~~ got a Whale  
Light winds from SSW steering  
E at 2 PM made a large field  
of ice bearing to the N E passed  
to the S of it at 8 PM saw a  
Whale and got it along side at  
midnight saw 7 ships none  
of them boiling saw 2 other Whales  
going to SW Lat obs 61.47  
Long obs 178.36 West.

Tuesday 21 st Jun 1853

Fresh breeze from S cut our whale  
and steer East saw nothing

Lat obs 61.43 Long West 177.31

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Wednesday 22

Fresh winds from SW  
Employed in boiling saw  
nothing Lat obs 61.15 Lon 174

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Wednesday 22 West Long  
a/cp fresh breeze from S  
foggy employed in boiling  
Lat obs 62.00 Long Eust 176.14

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Thursday 23 Fresh winds from  
SSE thick fog & some rain  
saw 2 Whs did not lower saw  
Ice & a ship Lat pr a/cp 62.  
Long pr a/cp 177.00 W  
finished boiling at midnight

Friday June 24th 1523  
Rugen lie too thick fog  
and Drizzling Rain Lat app 12.20  
Long per app 177.10 this day  
Threw a Bottle over board  
with a brief sketch of our  
voyage the weather Lat  
Longitude Date &c saw a Ship  
Spokt China 4 Whales

Saturday 25th  
Com with thick fog & fresh  
breeze from SE at 2 PM  
wind SW cleared up saw  
No Whales four Ships  
Lat poor obs 62.9 Lon <sup>W</sup> 178

Sunday June 26th  
Thick fog comd SE at 6 PM  
made the Land 15 miles S of Cape  
Adshaddes 4 miles Dist saw  
4 Ships no Whales

Monday June 27th  
This morning thick fog at 8  
A.M. cleared up cape Thaddeus  
all in sight 20 miles being S.W.  
find the ship 10 miles nearer  
the Land than the Chro puts her or  
Chro ten miles to far East  
Latter put fine pleasant weather  
Saw 2 Whales going fast chased  
could not strike Lat 62.30  
Spike ship Cornelius Howland  
Crosby nothing this season

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Tuesday 28th Strong winds  
from S in the morning saw  
2 Whales off shore 30 miles  
going quick towards the Land  
after noon stood in close to the  
Land saw 20 ships 3 cutting 3 boiling  
Saw one Whale no luck today

Wednesday 29 June 53

Calm the Ship Drifting about  
in the ice came near going  
ashore got an anchor ready  
my self and Mate Mr  
Parker went ashore in a  
deep Bay between Cape  
Navarin & Cape St. Hadeus  
no Whales plenty of Ships

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Thursday 30th

Dead calm & thick fog  
strong currents got in the  
Ice close to the Land and  
could not get out drifted  
about in from 9 to 20 fathoms  
water heard the surf roar  
and anchored in 9 fathoms  
between 16 hours Land  $3/4$  mile  
off bearing from S E to W SW round  
by North at 8 PM got under

weigh with a light breeze  
from SSW and beat out through  
the ice but not without many  
hard blows by the ice thick  
fog continues

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Friday July 1<sup>st</sup> 153

Strong gales from SW running  
to NE along the Ice Cape  
Thaddeus in sight 25 miles Dist  
Saw 12 ships one of them boiling  
Saw no Whals Lat 62.22

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Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>

Strong Gales from SSW thick fog  
and scattering ice about noon it  
cleared up sufficiently long to obsv  
the Lat Saw 6 ships no Whales  
Saw the Land 30 miles Dist  
Lat 62.47, Cape Thaddeus  
bearing W By North

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Sunday July 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Light winds from S & foggy  
Spoke Ship Alexander Barclay  
Hein of Bremen 2 Whales  
Lat per acc 63°50' Long 187°W

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Monday July 4<sup>th</sup> 1853  
Light breezes from S fog & rain  
Spoke and boarded S Catharine  
At London nothing this season  
Lat per acc 64° Long Do 179°W

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Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>  
Calm & foggy saw 6 ships one  
of them bearing Cape Achern bearing  
N W 50 miles dist Lat 64°

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Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> foggy & squalls  
Light wind S E Spoke Bark  
Swashhounds Falmouth Lawrence  
2 Whs chandler Price 10 Whs  
Saw Bank Russell bearing first Wh  
Lat obs 64.21 Long Chd 187.6

Thursday July 7th  
Came with good weather and  
ESE stood in close to the  
Land between Cape Behring &  
Cape Achin no Whales 10 Ships  
Ends with a gale and Rain  
Lat 64.52 Long by Gshot 175.33

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Friday 8th  
Thick fog all day wind SE  
Spoke Bark Cavalier Stonington  
Freeman & Whales No obs

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Saturday 9th  
Fog & Rain Came with wind  
from SE and Ends calm saw  
the Land 16 ships not one being  
no Whales here cape n off 20 miles

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Sunday 10th July fine weather  
Entered Behring Straits in company  
with 16 ships the natives bounded  
us in two boats all want <sup>to Whales</sup> <sup>angry men</sup> tobacco

Monday July 11th 1853  
commences with fresh wind from  
N & Ends calm saw no Whales  
30 ships not one of them boiling  
made Kings Island Lat 64.40° L 169.<sup>W</sup><sub>34</sub>

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Tuesday 12th

Calms and fog squalls saw  
plenty of California grays struck  
and killed one sunk him had  
a boat stove Spoke Helen August  
Tales New York one Whale  
Caroline A B Gifford clean  
Harriet Thompson Fortham  
San Francisco clean  
Heard from the Arctic no  
Whales their Lat 64.48° L 169.

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Wednesday 13th

clear Weather Land in sight  
both sides the Straits H Thompson  
in company

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July 1853  
at one O'clock A.M. anchored  
2 miles Dist from Cape  
Prince of Wales in company  
with 6 other Ships for the  
purpose of getting wood got  
3 boat loads came on board  
and got under weigh at 4 P.M.  
wind S & foggy with Rain  
the Doctor from Bark Harriet  
Humphson came onboard to see  
my sick man she got  
under weigh and left him  
here she out of sight in  
the fog ends strong breeze from  
South

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Thick fog & Rain con-  
tinued E. D. spoke Bark Columbia S. H.  
Hallock 2 Whales at 7 P.M. anchored  
in 21 fathoms Water in the Straits

Saturday July 16th 1853

Calm & calm at 4 PM took a light  
breeze from S weighed anchor  
but saw no Whales

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Sunday 17th

Calm & foggy squalls from E  
Saw 12 ships all chasing 2 or 3  
Whales one got a Whale spoke  
Tiger & B 3 Whales Meteor  
Mystic clean Land 8 miles  
Dist off St Lawrence Bay

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Monday 18th

Calm & foggy anchored  
cleared up got under weigh  
Saw 17 ships one hoisting at 9 PM  
Saw a Whale chased until 11  
could not come nearer than  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  mile of him St Lawrence  
Bay ten miles Dist to the  
N. W. Washington St. 2 Whales

Tuesday July 19th 1853

Wind S E thick fog & rain  
all day Saw 7 Ships 3 at anchor  
one boiling Land 1 miles Dist

Wednesday 20th

Thick fog & constant rain saw  
nothing No obs soundings <sup>fathoms</sup> 23 to 27 ft

Thursday 21st July

Thick fog dead calm 27 fathms  
water to Whales Lat a/c 64.3°

Friday 22nd July

Calm with thick fog wind at E  
Saw a fore & aft Schooner and  
3 ships standing to the N afternoon  
Saw St Lawrence Is bearing S by E. 20° N

Saturday 23

Thick fog and rain calm  
at 5 PM anchored in  
21 fathoms Water cannot  
see more than a Ships length

Sunday July 24th

Strong gale and a rain storm from  
North Riding by a Kedge anchor  
500 lbs weight with 70 fathoms  
of heavy chain out off cape

Chaplin Draged 10 or 12 miles  
at 5 PM the fog cleared up  
took the anchor and made sail  
Saw two ships the day ends  
with Double reef'd & I breeze

Monday 25th

Corn Reefed & ends with good  
weather saw 8 Bow heads the  
mate struck & fastened 2 in  
boat and got stove had a  
cold bath. cut the whale in  
Saw 15 ships not one boating  
cape Chaplin 15 miles Dist  
Lat  $64^{\circ} 20' W$  Long  $171^{\circ} 30'$

Tuesday July 26<sup>th</sup>

Light winds from SW & fog Squalls  
Employed in boiling Sounded once for  
Bowheads no success saw a Doz  
Ships bound North through the  
Straits Lat obs 64.46 saw 4 Whs

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Wednesday July 27<sup>th</sup>

Light winds from SSW and  
clear weather Employed boiling  
at 7 AM lowered the boats and  
chas'd Bowheads until past  
11 AM without success, came on  
board and got dinner and after  
them again but they were to  
shy to be able to get an iron in  
8 sail in sight 2 boating and  
1 ship got one whale, the  
whales are very wild at present  
Lat 64, 54 N Long 171.16 W James Estby

Thursday July 28th 1853  
First part light winds from  
S at 5 A M calm & foggy  
anchored 12 miles from  
Cape Chapplin at 11 A M  
took the anchor latter part  
Strong winds from S & Rainy  
Saw 8 Ships to Whales

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Friday 29. th  
Strong winds from S S E fog  
& rain at 5 P M anchored  
in 23 fathoms, in the Straits

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Saturday 30 th  
Fresh winds from South Lying at  
anchor swinging down <sup>oil</sup> & took one P.M.  
Dook our anchor Saw 6 Ships no  
Whales Sat obsd 65° 05' Long 171.17  
the land 20 miles dist west  
side of the Straits

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July

Fresh breezes from S thick fog &  
Rain saw nothing Lat. 64.50

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Monday August 1<sup>st</sup>

Fine weather wind SW at 12M

Saw Bowheads close in shore chased  
all the afternoon Struck one myself  
got stove but not bad obliged to  
cut my line and loose the whale  
to save a Kanakas life that jumped  
over board no other boat being  
near at 8 P M anchored in the  
bay 25 fathoms water Lat 64.35  
Saw 25 ships one got a whale

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Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>

Calm & foggy lying at anchor  
See ships at anchor 3 of them  
boiling a boat load of eggs  
man & came onboard men  
women and children

Wednesday Aug 3 . 1533  
Calm & foggy Ends with  
fine weather at 4 AM took  
over anchor and worked out  
of the Bay 3 or 4 miles saw  
11 Whales could not strike  
Saw 25 Ships 6 of them boiling

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Thursday 4th  
Fogs & calms from E N E at  
anchor at 3 AM Lowered a for  
Whales Three Ships Boats after  
the some Whales no Success

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Friday 5th at 6 AM  
got under weigh wind at N E  
fog & Rain most of the Ships  
at anchor saw 2 Whales could  
not strike at 6 PM weather  
again calm & thick fog lowered  
Ship Navigator got Boat timbers

Saturday August 6<sup>th</sup>  
Thick fog wind S E lying at  
anchor the Ureas Martha &  
Navigator at anchor close to  
the Coffs went onboard the  
Ureas took dinner while their  
his Steward died of consumption

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Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>

Fresh wind from S E thick  
fog & Rain Ship at anchor  
in the Straits a number of  
Ships in sight at anchor

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Monday 8<sup>th</sup>

Wind from S E to S E with  
constant Rain & fog lying  
at anchor 23 pthous water

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Tuesday 9. th

Thick fog and constant Rain  
wind E N E. at anchor the Wye  
& Wheaton close to us

Wednesday August 10. /53  
at 3 A.M. the fog lit up so  
that we could see one mile  
got under weigh Wind at E  
at 1/4 dense fog again tacked  
about until 3 P.M. and anchored  
again close to the Ship Alexander  
Barclay Bremen 3 Whales

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Thursday 11th

Calms & fog Light airs from  
E. S. at 4 A.M Took over anchor  
and stood out at 6 Lavered  
for a Bowhead no success  
myself and Mr Parker  
Landed on a small Island  
found a Rock containing  
metal of some kind got  
specimens of it saw 8  
Ship's Ends very wind & E

Friday August 12th

Strong winds from S & thick fog  
and steady rain carry single  
reefs at 6<sup>th</sup> PM the fog lit up  
Saw 2 Whales chased no success  
14 Ships in sight one boiling

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Saturday 13th

Commences with thick fog  
wind at N.E. and S.N.E. at 3 PM  
fog would light up for a  
short time, several ships in  
sight two boiling. saw a  
number of Whales lowered  
and gave chase without success  
at 6 PM came on board, latter  
part thick fog wind at S.S.E.  
18 ships in sight off a deep  
bay in Lat 64.50. t

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August  
Commences with thick fog  
at anchor off P. Bay lower'd the  
Boats after Whales no success at  
7 P.M. got our Anchor wind at N.W.  
and clear weather

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Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August  
Commences with fine clear  
weather wind S.W. blowing  
strong, lowered the boats 4  
different times in chase of  
Whales at 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> P.M succeeded in  
striking at 9 P.M. got the Whale  
alongside and came to an  
Anchor in 10 fathoms and  
made all snug giving sixty  
fathoms scope of chain

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August  
Commences with strong breezes  
at N W and every appearance of  
bad weather at 4 AM commenced  
cutting at 11 AM strong gales oblig'd  
to lash down. It being so rugged  
during the night ship dragging  
with 90 fathoms of chain

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>  
Commences with heavy gales  
at N W with thick rainy weather  
ship still dragging (at 8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> AM) over  
a bank 8 fathoms water at 10 AM  
in 17 fathoms at 1 PM more moderate  
and at 2 PM recommenced cutting  
at 6 PM finished, hove up the  
Anchor found that we had lost  
the stock, the anchor and chain  
as bright as a dollar stand off shore

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>

Commences with thick rainy weather wind at N. ship under double reef topsails and foresail, commenc'd boiling at 2 PM, latter part thick unpleasant weather found that the ship during the Gale had drag'd 22 miles SSW.

Friday 19<sup>th</sup>

Commences with fresh breezes at N and fine weather. Employed boiling. Ship under all possible sail beating to the Northward several sail in sight off Indian point, going N. early in the morning saw Barque Harriet Thompson bound south. saw ship Chandler Price boiling, latter part clear weather

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>

Commences with fine weather  
wind at N.E. middle part the  
same 18 Ships in sight 1 boiling  
later part wind at S.E. and  
thick fog ship under all possible  
sail beating to the Northward.

Employed boiling, saw a few  
boats in chase of Whales but did not  
strike Lat at Meridian 64,55 S

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>

Strong winds from N.E. stoned  
down 117 lbs oil Saw one Whale  
lowered but saw him no more  
Ends thick fog & rain

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup>

Thick fog & constant Rain wind  
at East carry all sail bound  
to the Arctic a head wind  
opened the last cask <sup>but one</sup> of Bread

Tuesday August 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Strong winds from N E at 6  
AM the fog cleared off for  
one hour saw the Diomedes  
Islands bearing N E 12 miles  
Dist Sood to N W under  
East Cape Double Reefs  
Saw 3 ships no Whales

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Wednesday August 24<sup>th</sup>  
Light airs at 1<sup>st</sup> 8 at 7 AM  
off the East cape fog clear'd  
off for a short time, when  
on board the Barge Venice of  
New London and bought 1 Cask  
of bread 579 lbs five sail in sight  
at 3 PM wind haul'd around  
to the Westward ship under all  
sail steer'd N { Barge 5 Whales

Thursday August 25<sup>th</sup>

Strong breezes at N N W and squally  
with snow ship under double  
reef topsails 13 ships in sight 1  
boiling, lowered the boats in chase  
of a Bowhead but could not strike  
latter found more moderate to the E  
bearing S at meridian Lat 66° 43' N

Friday August 26<sup>th</sup>

Moderate breezes at N N W with snow  
squalls, ship under all sail 16  
ships in sight 3 boiling at 2 past  
11 Am spoke barque Martha, bought  
550 lbs bread 13 Whales this season  
saw thousands of Walrus' but no Whales  
employed repairing sails, heard of  
the Washburn's lost the Chief Mate  
and one man - Magnolia Capt. by  
bought a Bowhead of the natives for  
3 bottles of brandy, made 300 lbs oil

Lat 67° 40' Long 170, 28

Saturday August 27<sup>th</sup> 1853

Moderate breezes at N.N.W and fine weather 5 sail in sight 2 boating employed repairing foresail and bending it. saw plenty of California grays, latter part light airs and calms land distant 10 miles Lat 66.44 N

Sunday August 28<sup>th</sup>

Moderate breezes at S.S.W and fine weather, lowered the boats in chase of a Bohead, but could not get near him 10 sail in sight 1 boating saw barge Venice steering S.W saw 5 carcasses. Lat 67.10 N Long 77 per Chronometer 170.42 Lunar 171.12

Monday August 29<sup>th</sup>

Commences with thick fog Wind N by E at 10 A.M clear weather and discover'd a splendid view of a floating (call'd Bohead city).

74 Sail in sight 20 boiling the  
rest whaling. Troy works smoking  
in all directions, saw Whales lowered  
5 or 6 times without success at 9 PM  
spoke the Ship Warren of Fisbey. Lat 8°  
South 2 Whales - the Whales very  
wild Lat 67.45 N Long 169.10 W

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup>

Commences with strong breezes  
at 8 AM 8 ships under easy sail -  
saw several Ships. at times foggy  
with rain. at 7 AM spoke Ship  
Cutsar ship heading SSW. another  
worthy of notice this day

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup>

Commences with moderate  
breezes at 8 AM with thick fog  
at 5 PM spoke Ship Britain  
Brown Lipsock latter part blow  
a Gale at 11 and foggy weather  
Lat 68.03 Long 169.23 W

Lat 67.45 Long 169.23

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> Sept.

Light breezes at N & E saw Whales  
lowered and struck one but did  
not hold on middle part fog  
latter part moderate breezes  
lowered after whales without  
succes. at 9 P.M shortened sail  
spoke 'Otabetic' of Brewster 3 Whales  
Lat 67° 42' N Long 169° 34' W

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>

Moderate breezes at S. E. and fog  
saw Ship 'Otabetic' take a whale  
middle part wind at S W latter  
part fog squalls 14 sail in sight  
wind at NW - Lat 68° 43' Long 169,30

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Moderate breezes at S E at 6 am low  
after a whale without success aside  
the barque 'Kuissel' 3 Whales & 1 Ripe  
sack, a severe snow squall

saw large Salamander of Party  
5 Whales, latter part strong breezes  
at N with rain every appearance the  
of a Gale took in sail and made off  
all snug 14 sail in sight 2 boiling Wh  
Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>

Strong breezes at S 8 1/2 sail in sight  
at 8 Am more moderate made sail  
middle part light winds at 2 PM  
spoke Ship Scotland Capt Smith  
8 Whales latter part strong breezes at S  
stood to the Westward at 8 PM short  
sail in company with Barque Rupsele  
Lat 68-07' S Long 170-00<sup>W</sup>

Monday 5<sup>th</sup>

Strong breezes at S and clear weather  
at 10 AM moderate made all sail  
middle part light breezes at S latter  
part calms at 4 PM made the icy barrier

Lat 67-45' S Long 170-23

extending as far as the eye could carry  
finding N N E and S S W. Ice in Lat 68° 55' N  
Long 175° 10' W no sight or sign of  
Whale's more ship in company with  
barque Bruselas to Objet. ship under all  
possible sail Lat 68° 55' N Long 175° 10' W

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light air at N E  
with occasional gusts of wind thick  
fog and when ship close hauled head  
C S S. considerable part calms and fog  
latter part light airs at N E and  
clear two sail in sight and heavy  
swell from the Northw. no Observat<sup>r</sup>

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light airs at N N E  
all sail set to advantage thick fog  
middle part moderate breezes at  
the latter part the same with fog, at  
7 PM shortened sail heading E N E,

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> Sept

Moderate breezes at N & E with fog & rain  
at times clear saw a number of Calif gulls  
10 ships in sight bound S under all sail  
latter part thick weather Ship heading N N E  
Lat and long per Sumner 67° 45' 169.24 W

Friday 9<sup>th</sup>

Moderate breezes at N with thick  
fog ship heading E N E at 10 AM  
wind at N & E thick fog latter  
part a little clear have the lead  
25 fathoms tack'd ship to the  
W. N. W. no observation

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup>

Commenced with strong gales at N  
and rugged sea ship heading  
E N E under close reef'd m topsail  
topsail latter part set close reef  
foretopsail a heavy sea running

Lat 67.45 Long 170.23

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept.

Commences with strong breezes  
at N. N. E and cloudy weather at  
5 Am all sail to advantage Middle  
part moderate breezes at N. E more  
ship head<sup>2</sup>. At latter part strong  
breezes sent down fore and main  
top gallant yards & reef'd topsails  
Lat per Summer 66.59 N 167.43 W  
at 2 P. M passed a fleet of 13 sails  
bound off the ground

Monday 12<sup>th</sup>

Moderate breezes at N. E and heavy sea  
on 11 am wind from S. E at Meridian  
clear weather latter part wind  
gradually howling to its old quarter  
N. E Ship under easy sail 14  
ships in sight and a number  
of California gulls Ship head<sup>2</sup> N. N. W  
Lat 67.54 N Long 168.48 W. S. D

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>

Strong Gales at N by E and cloudy  
weather middle part the same

saw four Bobheads a heavy sea

running 5 ships in sight latter part  
the same Lat 68.22 Long 169.05

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>

Strong Gales at N by E and squally  
weather with snow, middle and  
latter part the same at 4 PM wore  
ship to E. under double reef'd top-  
sails, foresail & jib. Lat 68.15 Long 169.40

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>

Moderate breeze's at N. and cloudy weather  
at 3 PM thick fog wind at S. W. saw several  
Bobheads & mussels digges lower'd but could  
not get near them, sent down the fore top  
gallant mast on account of the head of the top  
mast being sprung at 7 PM shortened sail

Lat 68.8 E. Long 169.16  
Lat 68.45 Long 170.23

Friday Sept: 15<sup>th</sup>

Commences with light airs at 6 A.M.  
at 3 A.M. made all sail steering N. N. E.  
at 8 A.M. lowered two boats after whales  
which proved California grays  
middle and latter part light airs  
from N. went the flying fish at  
7 P.M. spoke ship Copra of N. B.  
Capt: Pearce having 6 Whales

Lat by acc<sup>d</sup> 68.12 N Long 169.22 W  
Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>

Light airs at N ship under all sail  
steering Westward saw a number  
of California Grays middle part  
the same at 3 P.M. two ships in  
sight latter part saw two Boheads  
after sun down lowered without  
success, while away they saw 10  
different whales at 4 P.M. shortened sail  
head<sup>d</sup> Westward Lat 68.14 Long 170.00 W

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>

Light breezes at N and fine weather <sup>if</sup>  
ship under all sail heading Westward <sup>only</sup>  
saw two Whales at 2 P.M toward the <sup>if</sup>  
S. At 7 P.M Parker got one at 4 P.M com-<sup>if</sup>  
menced cutting at 9 P.M lash'd down <sup>if</sup>  
after getting the head in furl'd the  
fore and main topsails and reef'd  
the Mizen - Lat 68.14 Long 169.20 <sup>if</sup>

Monday 19<sup>th</sup>

Moderate breezes at N and thick weather  
with snow squalls at 4.30 AM re-  
menced cutting at 8.30 AM finished  
cutting and wore ship to the Westward  
at 1 AM spoke Ship Copea of Whales  
ship under reef'd topsails and fore main  
Employed boating middle and latter  
part light airs Ship Copea in sight  
but not boating

Lat 67.58 N Long 171.20 <sup>if</sup>  
- 01.40 Long 170.23

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept

Light variable winds throughout  
the day 2 sail in sight Employ'd  
boiling. Ship heading E by S

Lat 67° 50' S Long 171° 04' W

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>

Moderate breezes at N W at 8 Am press'd  
Ship Copea heading Westward, em-  
ployed boiling and stowing down.  
at 3 PM wore ship to the West & under  
all sail to observation

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>

Light breezes at S W by S and fine  
weather at 9 AM saw the land  
East shore. Cape Hope middle  
and latter part light winds  
Ship under all sail heading West  
saw one mussel drifter at 4 PM  
finished stowing down 139 Btgs  
Lat 68° 18' S Long 168° West

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Moderate Gales at 8 A.M and cloudy weather middle and latter part the same at 4 P.M saw two whales. reef topsails and haul'd to the N.W at 7 P.M took in fish Lat 68.36 Long 170.23  $\frac{1}{2}$

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>

Strong Gales at 4<sup>o</sup> and cloudy weather at 11 A.M wore ship to N.W middle and latter part the same and a bad sea running at 7 P.M wore ship to the East.

Lat 68.36 Long 172.00

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>

Strong Gales at 4 A.M and rugged sea on at 7 A.M kept off steering S.E at 4 P.M pass'd ship Moronghaela head S.E Carried away the forward starboard clairt got the boat and made all secure buff'd to the wind head N.E. pass'd a quantity of heavy ice

Lat 67.45 Long 170.23

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> Sept.

Strong gales at N and a bad sea running at 6.30 AM steering S by E by 9 two sail in sight at 11 AM made East Cape at 2 PM saw a quantity of heavy ice in the bay at 4 PM spoke barge President of Stonington Fish & Whalers at 6 PM took in the fore and main topsails. foresail. and close reef'd the main topsail ship steering S by W

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>

Strong gales at N at daylight made sail steering to the S. reef'd with a quantity of heavy ice at 4 PM in sight of South bay near Indian point at 6 PM stood off the land to clear the point. strong breezes at N ship under single reef'd topsails head S by E very appearance of ice coming in the bay

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>

Strong Gales at N.E and a bad sea running at 7 Am H. Lawrence's Isl. bearing E by N distance 20 miles ship under all necessary sail steering S by E at 7 PM took in jib main top gall. sail and orogen topsail blowing heavy

Lat 62.42 Long 172.54 W

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>

Very strong Gales at N.E & bad sea running ship under close reef fore & main topsails and fore sail at 9 AM kept off steering S by E and fore sail at 9 PM kept off steering S by E

Lat 60.08 S. Long 175.27 W

Friday 30<sup>th</sup>

Strong Gale at N.E and bad sea running ship under double reef'd topsails and fore sail steering S by E middle part blowing strong in squalls latter part moderate gales but a bad sea on Lat 58.20 Long 179.05 E

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> Oct.

Moderate breezes at N and fine  
weather ship under all sail steer'd  
S. W. middle part the same latter  
part light airs S. W. Lat 56.52 Long 176.47

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>

Light airs and fine weather middle  
and latter part light variable winds  
at 6 PM snow squall ship under all  
sail stand S. W. Lat 56.16 Long 174.59

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Light breezes at S. N. E which gradu-  
ally veer'd round to S. E blowing  
strong, with rain, and rugged sea  
on at 4 PM double reef'd the topsails  
steering S. W. by S. Employed in getting  
up the bows and restoring the  
after hold

Lat 55.54 Long 174

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>

Light variable winds and fine weather middle part the same latter part fine breezes at 8<sup>th</sup> ship under all sail steering SSW Lat 55.17 Lon 173.3

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>

Moderate breezes at 1<sup>st</sup> and fine weather middle part the wind veer'd to the S<sup>o</sup> latter part light air ship head 2 SSW Lat 53.42 Long 172.1

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>

Very strong gales at 9<sup>th</sup> ship under staysail wore ship at 10 AM as we could not weather the land middle part the same latter part moderating

Lat 53.01 Long 171-10

Friday 7<sup>th</sup>

Moderate winds at 11<sup>th</sup> at 11 AM saw the land bearing S middle and latter part the same ship head SSW

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> Oct

Moderate breezes and fine weather  
middle part the same with rain  
latter part moderate breezes at NW  
and thick weather a head beat see  
on ship under all possible sail  
steering E by S

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Oct.

Moderate breezes at N and fine  
weather ship under all sail steering  
E by S middle and latter part the same

Lat 49.32 Long 176.45 E

Monday 10<sup>th</sup>

Strong gales at S E and bad weather  
ship under fore sail. main spruce  
and foretopmast staysail middle  
and latter part the same at 3 P.M.  
split the main topsail obliged  
to punt a rugged sea on

No obs.

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>

Moderate breezes at W and fine weather  
at 9 AM sent up another mastsail  
ship under all possible sail steering  
E by N middle and latter part the same

Lat 48.01 Long 178.55 W

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>

Strong breezes at W. N. W. and fine weather  
middle and latter part the same. Ship  
under all sail steering E by N Employ'd  
repairing Mainsail Lat 47.45 Lon 175.10 W

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>

Light breezes at W and fine weather  
middle part the same, latter part  
the wind veer'd round to the S E ship  
under all possible sail steer'd E by S

Lat 47.1 Long 171.20 W

Friday 14<sup>th</sup>

Light breezes at N and fine weather middle  
and latter part the same steer'd E by N Lat 46.23  
Lon 169.53

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> Oct

Moderate breezes at N.N.W. and squally  
weather middle part the same. latter  
part light winds at W. ship steer<sup>8</sup>NE

Lat 45.34 Long 166.13<sup>W</sup>

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>

Moderate breezes at W.S.W. and fine  
weather ship under all possible  
sail steering E.N.E. middle and  
latter part fine weather

Lat 45.32<sup>N</sup> Long 162.42<sup>W</sup>

Monday 17<sup>th</sup>

Moderate breezes at W.N.W. and fine  
weather middle and latter part the  
same ship under all sail steer<sup>8</sup>NE  
employed cleaning bone

Lat 45.19<sup>N</sup> Long 158.42<sup>W</sup>

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>

Light breezes at WSW and fine weather, middle part Calms latter part the same Ship steer'd NNE Lat 45.20 Long 155.30 W  
Hammond very bad with Consumption

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>

Light airs and Calms middle and latter part the same  
Lat 45.9 Long 155.15 W

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>

Moderate breezes at E and cloudy weather middle part strong breezes latter part strong gales at NNE and a bad sea running Ship under snug sail heading NE

Lat 44.37 N Long 155.15

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Oct

Strong Gales at S<sup>E</sup> and bad  
weather middle and latter  
part the same ship under  
smug sail no Observation

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>

Moderate Gales at S<sup>E</sup> and  
fine weather middle and  
latter part the same ship  
under all sail steering ENE

Lat 45° 00' Long

Light wind day 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Light breezes at S<sup>E</sup> and  
fine weather middle part  
the same latter part wind  
hau'd to S<sup>E</sup> ship close on  
a wind headed E Lat 44° 11' Long 150° 11'

Monday 24<sup>th</sup>

Moderate breezes at S<sup>E</sup> and cloudy  
weather, middle and latter part the same  
Ship head ENE Employ cleaning bone  
Lat 44° 24' Long 157° 20'

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>

Moderate breezes at SSW to SW  
and rainy weather middle  
part the same latter part light  
breezes Ship under all sail  
Steering S $\frac{1}{2}$  N, Lat 43,50 Long 144.25

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>

Moderate breezes at S by W and  
cloudy weather middle and  
latter part the same. Ship  
under all sail steering S  
Employed clearing Ship  
Lat 43,47 Long 142.12

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>

Strong breezes at S by W and cloudy  
weather ship under all necessary  
sail steering S $\frac{1}{2}$  S middle and  
latter part the same

Lat 42.52. Long 138.21 W

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Oct

Strong breezes at S by W and cloudy  
weather ship under all possible  
sail steering E by S middle and  
latter part the same

Lat 42° 07' Long 134.20

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Oct

Light breezes at S by S and  
fine weather middle and  
latter part the same Employing  
drying and bunching bone

Lat 41° 03' Long 132.35

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>

Light breezes at S W and  
calms middle part the  
same latter part light  
breezes at E by S and fine  
weather ship under all  
sail steering E by S

Lat 40° 18' Long 130.15

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> Oct.

Moderate breezes at N and  
fine weather middle and latter  
part the same Ship under  
all sail steering E by S Imply  
cleaning Ship

Lat 39.29 Long 129.00

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov.

Strong breezes at N and clear  
weather middle and latter  
part the same Ship under all  
possible sail steering ENE

Lat 38.02 Long

Wednesday Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>

First part Strong winds  
from N latter light from  
NW at 10 A M made  
the Land at one PM found  
the Farolones Islands the Pilot  
boat spoke us did not see  
him

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov.  
Commences with light airs  
at S which gradually wore  
round to S W at 10 AM getting  
under weigh

1855  
July first took the  
train from Middle West

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July 1<sup>st</sup>. 1854  
Commenced taking  
the Golden Era and  
sending it home by  
mail early 15<sup>th</sup>,  
two numbers by each  
mail E L Terry

Sept 20 1854 Capt  
I C Woodruff Sailed from  
San Francisco as Passenger  
in the Bark Esther  
Frances for Valparaiso  
on his way to Galveston

Address

Capt S C Woodruff  
Valparaiso Chile  
Wells Fargo & Co. Express  
case Mess Nye & Co.

May 5th 1855  
in A L Edwards Safe  
American Gold \$ 135.00  
Gold Specimens 5.7150  
May 5th " " 115.00  
2.200 196.00

for Joseph Marlan  
Inquire of James D. Rem  
No 9 James Slip 33

July 24 1857 I would  
be at one hour  
as far as B & L County  
Lot 57 40 ft E 163 30' W







